

Oregon Green Jobs Survey



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What We Mean by Green

Did your organization have any jobs in 2008 where work in green categories was *essential* to the job?

If so, please look through the following examples to determine which jobs should be counted in our survey. These examples are not comprehensive and many jobs which are green are not included here.

If not, please stop and respond online, or fill out the information on page one and return this survey form in the pre-paid envelope.

We are attempting to count jobs where environmental protection or preservation is central to the employee's work, and where employees use specific job-related skills that result in environmental benefits. Although it is important, we are not including jobs at companies that have adopted environmentally-friendly practices such as recycling office paper, promoting car pools or using energy-efficient lights or solar panels – unless the firm had specific employees whose job was to further these practices. If you are an employer that has become more ecologically friendly in your business practices, we congratulate and thank you, but ask that you include only those jobs where work in green activities was *essential* to the function of the job.

1. Increasing energy efficiency

Examples include: LEED certified design and construction, energy efficiency engineering, residential window retrofitting, insulation installation, etc.

Examples do not include: workers at firms where the firm has become "greener" by replacing light bulbs, reducing office thermostat temperatures, purchasing fuel efficient fleet vehicles, carpooling, etc.

2. Producing renewable energy

Examples include: solar PV cell manufacturing, wind turbine maintenance, wave energy research, hydro-electric generator repair, biodiesel production, geothermal drilling, design of renewable energy plants, etc.

Examples do not include: electrical power distribution, producing high-voltage electric lines, etc.

3. Preventing, reducing, or mitigating environmental degradation

Examples include: carbon emissions monitoring, organic farming, biomass or biodiversity preservation, recycling center operation, mass transit administration, wastewater treatment, etc.

Examples do not include: workers who telecommute or carpool, cleaning services using "eco-friendly" chemicals, workplaces using recycled paper, etc.

4. Cleaning up and restoring the natural environment

Examples include: heavy equipment operation at superfund sites, hazardous waste cleanup, wetlands restoration, etc.

Examples do not include: volunteers, workers that "adopt-a-street", garbage disposal services, etc.

5. Providing education, consulting, policy promotion, accreditation, trading and offsets, or similar services supporting categories 1-4

Examples include: policy analysis, energy auditing, environmental sciences research, carbon credit brokering, certifying environmental practices, etc.

Examples do not include: educational administrative staff, secretarial services at law firms, etc.

**If you need further assistance please contact our Green Survey Team at
1-888-550-7880.**



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ABOUT THE SURVEY

The Oregon Employment Department is measuring the number of green jobs which existed in Oregon in 2008. We define a green job as one that provides a service or produces a product in any of the following categories:

1. Increasing energy efficiency
2. Producing renewable energy
3. Preventing, reducing, or mitigating environmental degradation
4. Cleaning up and restoring the natural environment
5. Providing education, consulting, policy promotion, accreditation, trading and offsets, or similar services supporting categories 1-4

If working in one or more of these green categories was *essential* to any job in your organization in 2008, please complete the entire survey. If not, please fill out only the information below and return.

- **Your responses will be kept strictly confidential**
- **Include information for all locations in Oregon**
- **Please respond to the survey no later than February 27th, 2009**

OPTIONS FOR RESPONDING TO THE SURVEY

- **Respond online at www.qualityinfo.org/greenjobs, or**
- **Return the survey in the enclosed postage-paid envelope**

We will follow up with businesses that do not return their surveys to ensure the accuracy of our results.

If you have any questions, please contact the Green Survey Team toll-free at 1-888-550-7880.

Don't know if your employees count? The back of this survey has detailed guidelines and examples!

CONTACT INFORMATION (please print)

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Would you like a free copy of the report summarizing these survey results? Yes No

Thank You for Participating!

PLEASE REPORT FOR ALL OF YOUR FIRM'S LOCATIONS IN OREGON

1. Approximately how many jobs did you have in Oregon in 2008? _____
2. Was working in one or more green categories essential to any of those jobs in 2008?

Yes No

If Yes – for how many jobs? _____
If No – stop, and please return the survey



